

CALIFORNIA REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD  
CENTRAL VALLEY REGION

ORDER NO. 78-173

WASTE DISCHARGE REQUIREMENTS  
FOR  
KENNEDY MEADOWS SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL SITE  
TULARE COUNTY

SWIS # 54-AA-0011

The California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region (hereinafter Board), finds:

1. Tulare County (hereinafter discharger) submitted a Report of Waste Discharge dated 8 June 1978.
2. The discharger is operating a solid waste site for the disposal of Groups 2 and 3 wastes in Section 20, T22S, R36E, MDB&M. The land is owned by the U. S. Bureau of Land Management.
3. The total area leased by the County is 10 acres (4.05 ha). The land fill area currently being used is about 2 acres (0.81 ha) which has been provided with an 8 foot (2.44 m) berm to divert off site drainage.
4. The total capacity of the disposal site is 20,000 cubic yards (15,000 m<sup>3</sup>). Present disposal is about one cubic yard per day (0.76 m<sup>3</sup>), depending on the amount of visitors in this recreational area.
5. The site elevation is 6,300 feet (1,922 meters). Groundwater is about 35 feet (10.7 m) below ground surface and considered to be of excellent quality.
6. Beneficial uses of local groundwater are for domestic supply.
7. This disposal site meets the criteria contained in the California Administrative Code for classification as a Class II-2 site suitable to receive Group 2 and Group 3 wastes.
8. The Board adopted a Water Quality Control Plan for Tulare Lake Basin (5D) on 25 July 1975.
9. The Board has notified the discharger and interested agencies and persons of its intent to prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge and has provided them with an opportunity to submit their written views and recommendations.
10. The Board in a public meeting heard and considered all comments pertaining to the discharge.
11. These waste discharge requirements are for an existing facility and are thereby exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act in accordance with Sections 15101 and 15108, Chapter 3, Title 14, California Administrative Code.

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IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the discharger shall comply with the following:

A. Waste Discharge Specifications

1. Neither the treatment nor the discharge shall cause a nuisance or pollution as defined in the California Water Code.
2. The discharge shall not cause degradation of any water supply.
3. The disposal area shall be protected from any washout or erosion of wastes or covering material which could occur as a result of storms having a predicted frequency of once in 100 years.
4. Surface drainage from tributary areas, and internal site drainage from surface or subsurface sources shall not contact or percolate through Group 2 wastes discharged at the site.
5. Group 1 wastes shall not be deposited at this site.
6. No Group 2 wastes shall be placed in ponded water from any source whatsoever.

B. Prohibitions

1. The discharge of waste to surface waters, surface water drainage courses or canals either by direct discharge or runoff from the disposal site is prohibited.

C. Provisions

1. The discharger shall comply with Monitoring and Reporting Program which may be specified by the Executive Officer.
2. The discharger shall report promptly to the Board any material change or proposed change in character, location or volume of the waste discharge.
3. The Board considers the property owner to have a continuing responsibility for correcting any problems which may arise in the future as a result of the waste discharge or water applied to this property during subsequent use of the land for other purposes.
4. In the event of any change in control or ownership of this facility, the discharger shall notify this Board of such change and notify the succeeding owner or operator of the existence of this Order.

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5. The Board will review this Order periodically and may revise the requirements when necessary.
6. This Order does not constitute a license or permit; neither does it authorize the commission of any act resulting in injury to the property of another, nor does it protect the discharger from his liabilities under federal, state, or local laws.

I, JAMES A. ROBERTSON, Executive Officer, do hereby certify the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of an Order adopted by the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, Central Valley Region, on 27 October 1978.

Original Signed By  
James A. Robertson

JAMES A. ROBERTSON, Executive Officer

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The Kennedy Meadows solid waste site has been in existence since 1963. The 10 acre (4.05 ha) site is owned by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management and is operated by the Tulare County Refuse Disposal Department under a lease agreement.

The facility is located in the Kennedy Meadows recreational area in southeastern Tulare County. The site elevation is 6,300 feet (1,922 m).

A berm has been constructed around the existing trenched disposal area to divert upstream drainage. An attendant is present during each day of operation and equipment is at the site for covering wastes.

Total capacity of the disposal site is 20,000 cubic yards (15,000 m<sup>3</sup>). Present disposal is estimated to be about one cubic yard (0.76 m<sup>3</sup>) per day, depending on the amount of visitors to the recreational area.

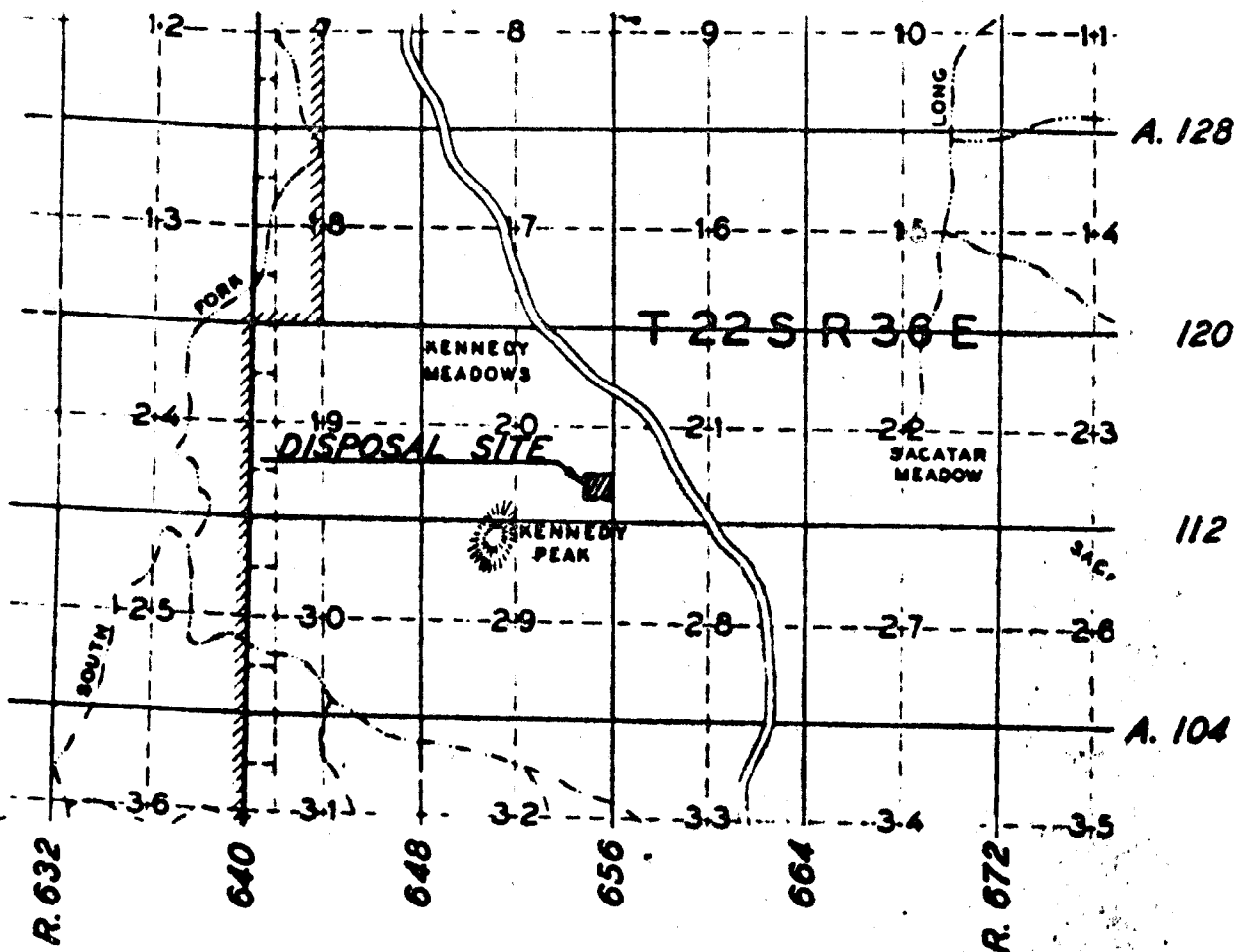
Based on data on surrounding wells, the groundwater level is estimated to be 35 feet (10.7 m) below ground surface and considered to be of excellent quality.

The staff sees no adverse effect from this action and intends to file a "Notice of Exemption" with the Resources Agency after the Board adopts the requirements.

# Vicinity Map

## Kennedy Meadows Refuse Disposal Site

(NE/4 - SE/4 - SE/4, Sec. 20 - 22 - 36)



SCALE: 1" = 1 MILE